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# Body of missing woman found



Angelica Blenich Staff

Police officers were on Head Lake around 1 p.m. on Aug. 15 after a 33-year-old woman was reported missing earlier that day. Kalie Ma was later found dead, said OPP Const. Carrie Lanning. No foul play is suspected.

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

The Ontario Provincial Police have confirmed a missing Haliburton woman has been found deceased.

Const. Carrie Lanning of the City of Kawartha Lakes detachment told *The Haliburton Echo* that 33-year-old Kalie Ma's body was located on Friday, Aug. 15.

The police do not suspect foul play. "The helicopter was instrumental in locating the victim," said Lanning.

On Aug. 15 around 1 p.m. an OPP helicopter was circling Haliburton Village and above Head Lake.

An OPP marine boat was then spotted on

Head Lake not long after.

According to the police, the OPP's helicopter and Snowmobile ATV Vessel Enforcement (SAVE) units attended the location to assist with the search. Ma's body was found in Head Lake.

Ma was first reported missing by the OPP on Aug. 15 at 9:30 a.m.

She had last been seen on Wednesday, Aug. 13 at 8 p.m. and a search for her began on Aug. 14 at 10:30 p.m.

Police from the Haliburton Highlands detachment were made aware Ma had wandered from her residence west of Haliburton. She was described by the OPP as a woman of Asian descent, who weighed approximately 80 pounds and was four foot nine. She had short black hair.



A helicopter circles over Head Lake in Haliburton on Aug. 15 after Kalie Ma was reported missing.

# OPP costs to increase by millions

**Chad Ingram**  
Staff reporter

The new OPP billing model will increase Haliburton County's annual policing costs from approximately \$3.3 million to approximately \$6.5 million during the next five years.

The billing formula, designed to redistribute OPP costs more evenly throughout Ontario, was unveiled by Community Safety and Correctional Services Minister Yasir Naqvi in an Aug. 14 teleconference.

"I'm disappointed," said Highlands East Reeve and County Warden Dave Burton, noting that members of county council had met with Naqvi on July 3 to discuss concerns with the model the province had been proposing. "The minister had said to members of county council there would be nothing done, that he was going to come back, consult with us, before any final decision was made."

Instead, it was announced late Wednesday the new model would be revealed early Thursday afternoon.

While the initial proposal had been to split OPP bills based 73 per cent on fixed, base costs and 27 per cent on per call service, the new formula will be comprised of 60 per base costs and 40 per cent based on calls generated from a community.

"Calls for service are exactly that," Naqvi said, explaining that detailed reports of the types of calls generated locally would be provided to municipalities so they can better target crime prevention.

Fixed base costs - regular patrols, crime

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# Volunteers key to success of hiking festival

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Each hike is led by a dynamic leader and volunteer who ensure the hikes are informative, enjoyable and safe for hikers of all ages and abilities. The Festival is looking for volunteers to help with these hikes and the various events. More than 75 volunteers are key to the success of this signature event.

Those who volunteer will enjoy several benefits. The Festival is an opportunity to get outdoors and active, explore new trails, and meet like-minded folk. Volunteers are able to participate in free workshops and courses including wilderness first aid, hike leader certification, natural and cultural heritage interpretation, and becoming a Haliburton Highlands tourism ambassador. They will also receive a free pass into one of the Festival's ticketed evening events.

To register as a volunteer email Maria at maria\_paterson13@yahoo.com or call 705-935-0850. For more information about the Hike Haliburton Festival see [www.hikehaliburton.com](http://www.hikehaliburton.com)

## Oddest veggie contest is back

The Haliburton County Farmers Market will be hosting another oddest looking vegetable contest at the Aug. 29 market in Carnarvon and again on Sept. 30 in Haliburton.

Participants are invited to bring a fruit or vegetable to either market prior to the judging date. Entries will be photographed by the judges and then returned.

Submitted photos are not permitted. Prizes will be awarded to the winner.

The Haliburton market takes place every Tuesday in Head Lake Park from 12 to 4 p.m. The Carnarvon market is held on Fridays from 1 to 5 p.m. next to Rhubarb restaurant.

# Future of Corduroy Enduro event unclear

Angelica Blenich  
Staff reporter

Organizers of the Corduroy Enduro are looking for support from the municipality of Highlands East to ensure the event continues in Gooderham.

Chairman of the event Blair Sharpless made a delegation to councillors at their Aug. 12 meeting, requesting assistance in partially closing roads for the event scheduled to take place on Sept. 19-21.

The request comes following last year's event, where many of the participants received fines from the OPP, said Sharpless.

"On Friday, Day 1 of last year's ride some of the course marshals were stopped by an OPP officer from the Orillia detachment who was part of the SAVE unit, (safe all-terrain vehicle enforcement)," wrote Sharpless in a letter to council. "I talked to the officer and explained that we had permission from the municipality having jurisdiction to use certain roads with off-road plated motorcycles. He stated that the municipality did not have the authority under the Highway Traffic Act of the Off Road Vehicle Act to give us permission and handed us almost \$2,000 in violations."

To try and avoid this, Sharpless was seeking permission from Highlands East to partially close some roads, allowing off road

vehicles to use one lane so that motor vehicles could utilize the remainder of the road.

Some of the roads the chairman was seeking permission to partially close include Billings Lake Road, Fortesque Lake Road, Contau Lake Road and Eureka Road.

Chief administrative officer and treasurer Sharon Stoughton-Craig told Sharpless that some of the closure requests were for private roads and therefore the municipality has no jurisdiction.

Now in its 61st year, the Corduroy Enduro is a volunteer-run event that welcomes off road vehicles to race through trails in and around Gooderham.

Last year's event included 166 riders. Sharpless said the event could host a maximum of 240 riders.

The location of the McCausland Memorial Community Centre and the surrounding terrain make Gooderham a desirable location for the event, Sharpless told council.

In addition to the road closures, Sharpless asked if organizers could borrow some equipment, including a tractor to clear ditches, road signage, pylons, barriers and caution tape from the municipality.

The request would help offset event costs, if organizers could save money by not renting equipment the municipality already had.

Reeve Dave Burton said he didn't believe

the municipality should be spending taxpayers' dollars to help run the event.

"I'm not looking for the township to spend money on our event," said Sharpless, adding he was simply looking for co-operation.

Sharpless said he had been in touch with Haliburton Highlands OPP Staff Sergeant Chad Bark about the partial road closure request and would be calling him again in the near future.

Councillors agreed that without the support of the OPP there wasn't much the municipality could do.

Deputy-reeve Suzanne Partridge recommended passing a resolution to support in principle the closing of certain portions of roads for the event, with final approval dependent on the OPP.

With the next meeting of council scheduled to take place Sept. 16, Partridge said event organizers needed a decision now and couldn't risk waiting.

A resolution was passed, with councillors Cec Ryall, Steve Kauffeldt and Partridge voting in favour. Burton voted against it.

Councillor Joan Barton was not in attendance.

Stoughton-Craig told Sharpless she would be in touch regarding the request to use the municipality's equipment.

"We really appreciate your support," said Sharpless.



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Despite the damp weather the Bone Lake Amphitheatre was full to capacity for the Greg Keelor and Jim Cuddy performance. Keelor and Cuddy, the founding members of the renowned Canadian band Blue Rodeo, were one of the concerts included in the lineup for this year's Forest Festival. Other artists included Canadian Brass and Angel Forrest.



The Greg Keelor and Jim Cuddy show on Wednesday, Aug. 13 involved lots of friendly, humorous banter between the musicians and plenty of great acoustic music.

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## Keelor and Cuddy rock Bone Lake

**Zach Cox**  
Staff reporter

The program suggested that Blue Rodeo founders Jim Cuddy and Greg Keelor might outshine the stars during their acoustic performance at the Bone Lake Amphitheatre, and on the cloudy night of Wednesday, Aug. 13 they did just that. Despite the overcast skies, persistent misting of rain and the chilly wind, nothing was able to dull their shine.

The enthusiasm of the audience was also unhampered, and the 700 seats in the amphitheatre were filled to capacity.

Several times throughout the performance Keelor and Cuddy commended the audience on their resilience regarding the weather.

Acoustic versions of many of Blue

Rodeo's hit songs, from *Paradise* to *How Long*, rang out over the lake, the audience clapping, cheering and singing along.

Between songs, the performers often had to dry their instruments with hand towels, but the two kept up witty banter that proved how much they were in their element onstage.

At one point Keelor promised \$20 to the first person to get into the lake. Several seconds later a young audience member made his way onto the floating dock and hopped into Bone Lake to claim Keelor's "cold, hard cash."

Keelor, who has a cottage north of Minden, also spoke to how much he loves the Haliburton Highlands and how a number of his songs have been written while staying in the region.

Their undeniable stage presence proved that this was by no means their first rodeo.

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Jim Cuddy belted out some of Blue Rodeo's biggest hits alongside Greg Keelor on Wednesday, Aug. 13. The concert, a component of this year's Forest Festival included hits such as *How Long*, *Paradise* and *English Bay*.

## County moving in right direction, OHTO director says

**Chad Ingram**  
Staff reporter

Haliburton County's tourism branding strategy is moving the right direction, says the executive director of the Ontario Highlands Tourism Organization (OHTO).

Nicole Whiting made a presentation on realizing the potential of rural tourism to members of the county's tourism committee at an Aug. 13 meeting.

The branding strategy, launched last fall, aims to create demand for the area and included the creation of a new logo for the Haliburton Highlands, a Roots clothing line and the beefing up of the Highlands' social media presence.

It also included the identification of a target audience in a fictional couple named Karen and Jake – young professionals with time and money to spend, who like outdoor adventure, appreciate arts and culture and carry a residual audience in their parents and siblings.

"What's been missing in the past is that 'north star,'" Whit-

ing said, explaining marketing strategies need to reflect the desired experiences of an area's ideal guest.

The province's regional tourism organizations – of which OHTO is one – are moving into their fifth year and Whiting said a focus this year will be reframing destination development from the perspective of the ideal guest.

This includes experience-based tourism promotion – "emotions they're going to feel, who they're going to interact with," Whiting said.

The director said an ongoing hurdle for OHTO is that tourism is still not seen as significant economic driver in many communities.

OHTO includes the county and a number of municipalities in the Ottawa Valley.

Also, she said tourism activities throughout the region are mainly supplier-driven with suppliers promoting their products, rather than adhering to a collaborative, experience-based marketing strategy.

"What we're really trying to tap into, is what is the motivation for travel?" Whiting said.

OHTO has developed a guide called *Tourism Starts with*

You and has been sending reps to communities for face-to-face engagement and to explain the value of tourism.

"It really provides what we hope is a practical guide," Whiting said.

OHTO has also been working on collaborative initiatives with its member communities, which for the Haliburton Highlands have included making pitches to travel writers about the area, partnering on experience development for the Hike Haliburton Festival and number of media opportunities, including a recent spot on the Chris Robinson Travel Show.

The county has sold 75 per cent of the shipment of Roots clothing it received in the spring. Its Twitter following has grown from fewer than 1,000 followers in October 2013 to more than 3,700 and during the same time period, has gone from fewer than 500 Facebook fans to more than 14,500.

Whiting said this "digital ecosystem" is becoming increasingly important.

For more on OHTO, visit [www.ohto.ca](http://www.ohto.ca).

# Highlands East cultural plan taking shape

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

After years of work, the cultural plan proposed for Highlands East is near completion.

Consultant Jim Blake, who was hired by the municipality to undertake the plan, presented the final draft to councillors before making it available for public comment.

With the entire report now complete, the cultural plan outlines many goals and ideas developed by the steering committee for the municipality moving forward.

Six goals outlined in the plan include: provide municipal leadership, promote community engagement and inclusion, provide support for a strong and dynamic cultural sector, use our cultural assets to help advance tourism and economic development, celebrate our history and heritage and strengthen the identity of Highlands East.

Blake outlined a number of ways these recommendations could be met, including encouraging events such as the successful Wilberforce Agricultural Fair, creating a marketing plan and establishing a public art policy.

Work on the plan also included the development of an extensive and detailed inventory of cultural assets in Highlands East and the creation of 30 digital maps using this information, according to Blake's report.

Highlands East is the fourth municipality in the county to undertake a cultural plan and did so through funding from the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport.

To view the draft plan visit [www.highlandseast.ca/article/public-input-requested-regarding-highlands-east-cultural-planning-report](http://www.highlandseast.ca/article/public-input-requested-regarding-highlands-east-cultural-planning-report).

Comments can be submitted up until Sept. 3 to Brittany Ellis at the municipality by calling 705-448-2981, ext. 230 or by emailing [bellis@highlandseast.ca](mailto:bellis@highlandseast.ca).

You can also fax them to 705-448-2532 or mail attn: Brittany Ellis, Box 295, Wilberforce, ON, K0L 3C0.

## Library costs on target

It's been two months since the opening of the new Wilberforce library branch and councillors in Highlands

East are still receiving good news regarding the outcome.

Expenses for the new facility were circulated to all councillors, with costs coming in not far off from original estimates made by Fleming College, said chief administrative officer and treasurer Sharon Stoughton-Craig.

The original budget submitted by the college for the building was approximately \$345,000, not including prep site work, landscaping, insurance and other miscellaneous costs.

To date the total costs of the building are around \$356,600, according to Stoughton-Craig.

Other costs incurred by the municipality include the installation of a septic tank, insurance, a fire protection tank, landscaping, fencing, etc., totalling close to \$96,000.

In the end the price tag for the new facility was close to \$452,500, with \$45,000 of that total covered by a grant from the Haliburton County Development Corporation.

## Council congratulated for breaking down barriers

Those looking to check out a book from the new Wilberforce library branch should have little problem thanks to accessibility work done by the municipality.

Highlands East was congratulated by the Haliburton County Joint Accessibility Committee for creating a facility that is inclusive and available for many to use.

Committee member Marilyn Stafford presented councillors with a Barrier Aware certificate of excellence to acknowledge the work done by property supervisor Jim Alden and Highlands East.

After a site visit by members of the committee, recommendations were made regarding how to make the facility free of barriers, said Deputy-reeve Suzanne Partridge, who is also chairwoman of the committee.

"The Barrier Aware team of the accessibility committee came to the Wilberforce branch of the Haliburton Public Library to look it over and see if it was suitable as an accessible building," said Partridge. "They found that it was and they had some recommendations of some changes that could be made."

Stafford said she was in awe of the new building and how beautiful it was.

"I was injured 21 years ago this week and to see the advancements in accessibility everywhere, in all communities and major cities. It's just amazing and makes life a lot easier with a disability," she said.



Angelica Blenich Staff

Highlands East Deputy-reeve and chairwoman of the Haliburton County Joint Accessibility Committee Suzanne Partridge, left, accepts a certificate of excellence from Marilyn Stafford on behalf of the committee on Aug. 12 at the Lloyd Watson Memorial Community Centre. Highlands East council was recognized by Stafford, a member of the committee, for the work done on making the new Wilberforce library branch accessible and barrier free.

## July flooding costs county \$125,000

**Chad Ingram**  
Staff reporter

Flooding in Haliburton County on and around Canada Day will cost the county about \$125,000.

At an Aug. 13 county roads committee meeting, roads director Doug Ray told councillors the bill for flood-related repairs will be approximately \$126,500.

Torrential rains at the beginning of July caused washouts and partial washouts on Harburn Road, Haliburton Lake Road, Kushog Lake Road, Loop Road, Elephant Lake Road, Livingstone Lake Road and County Road 21.

To date, material and hired equipment costs total some \$51,500 and it's estimated that another \$75,000 will need to be spent on equipment, material and surface paving.

Those costs do not include staff wages.

"We have no real way to get the money out of the present

budget," Ray told councillors.

His recommendation was to complete the work and either recoup costs from other areas of the budget that may experience a surplus or use funds from the general reserve.

With heavier winter maintenance and flood damage repair costs, treasurer Laura Janke said the county is heading for a deficit in the roads department this year.

Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey said he was surprised at how low the county's damage costs were, explaining that for Dysart et al and Highlands East, the figure would likely be between \$300,000 and \$400,000.

Those monies will likely come from reserves in those municipalities.

Flood damage was most severe in the eastern portion of the county.

County reserves are forecast to sit at \$2.3 million at the end of the year and Algonquin Highlands Deputy-reeve Liz Danielsen said the unexpected costs were a reminder the municipality needs to build up its reserves.

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# Billing model improvements modest: councillors

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prevention, RIDE programs, etc. - will be split evenly throughout the province and amount to an average of \$203 per household.

It is estimated the total average, per household cost of the new model will be \$355. That figure under the previously proposed model was \$369.

Currently, per household policing costs in Haliburton County range between \$76 and \$187, depending on township.

Seasonal residences will be weighted evenly with year-round ones and as a result, cottage country communities will be among the hardest hit by the new formula.

"In summer months, like right now, OPP actually increase the number of services they provide," Naqvi said, noting that police services meant protecting people, as well as property.

Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey said this was not true locally.

"We have the same number [of officers] in the summer as we do in the winter," said Fearrey, who has contended that seasonal residences should not be counted equally with year-round homes.

"It's better than it could have been, but it still needs work," he said of the new model.

County councillors expressed concern in a news release issued on Aug. 15 over comments made by Naqvi, particularly with the statement that there are policing enhancements in cottage country during the summer months.

"Due to the inaccessible nature of many private cottage roads in the winter, seasonal properties cannot be patrolled year round," reads the release. "Haliburton County's current cost per household is due to low crime rates. The pooling of costs across the province suggests that Haliburton County will be paying for officers and services it will never receive."

Under the original proposal, the county's collective OPP bill would have risen to more than \$8 million during the next five years.

The new formula will include commercial, industrial and institutional properties, which the previously proposed one did not, and will be phased in over a five-year period.

For communities facing increases, those increases will be capped at \$40 per property per year for the first five years.

However, this does not mean that increases for the individual taxpayer will be limited to \$40. That will be dependent on property value.

Burton said the townships of Haliburton County would be looking at a collective increase of about \$1 million a year during the next three years.

Of the 323 municipalities served by the OPP, 207 will see their bills go up while the remainder will experience a decrease.

The county's news release stated that although members of council are pleased that commercial, industrial and institutional properties are included, policing costs in Haliburton County are going to more than double over the next five years with no change in service.

"In all honesty, I'm not surprised," said Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt, noting the change to the 60/40 split had been talked about for some time. "If there was a win for us, it was the inclusion of commercial, industrial and institutional properties."



**The bottom line is municipalities are still going to have to absorb these costs.**

— Carol Moffatt  
Reeve of Algonquin Highlands

Moffatt said this would widen the base for the division of the increased costs.

She thought details on the types of calls being generated locally may allow municipalities to conduct some public education that may reduce call volumes slightly.

"I think we can do a little bit of work around that," Moffatt said.

Still, even with a phase-in, "the bottom line is municipalities are still going to have to absorb these costs," Moffatt said, adding townships would have to take a hard look at their budgets.

She added it was important that the phase-in not affect the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund equalizations payments townships in the county receive.

When county reps met with Naqvi on July 3 to discuss their concerns, they'd come away with the impression he'd be looking over information they presented him with and getting back for further dialogue before a final decision was made.

This didn't transpire.

There was also short notice of Thursday's announcement, with press releases going out late Wednesday afternoon.

Moffatt noted she had not been formally notified about the announcement until about half an hour before it happened early Thursday afternoon.

"We've had some concerns about the process," she said.

According to the county, the specific financial impact on taxpayers will vary and will be made available to municipalities by the OPP this fall.

Eighty-five per cent of OPP costs are comprised of salaries, benefits and overtime.

OPP contracts have contained parity or "me too" clauses, stipulating its officers be paid at a rate equivalent to that of the highest paid force in the province.

When asked if the province would remove these clauses moving forward as a means of controlling police costs, Naqvi responded, "I will leave the details up to the bargaining team."

Nor would Naqvi commit to disclosing a list of all the municipalities served by the OPP and what there increased or decreased bills would be.

OPP officers received an 8.55 per cent salary increase in 2014.

The average first-class constable, a position attainable in three years, makes more than \$90,000 a year.

Ten of the 29 officers at the Haliburton Highlands OPP detachment were on the provincial "sunshine list" of those who earn more than \$100,000 per year for 2013.

"Billing is only one issue identified by the Auditor General affecting the affordability of the OPP and we look forward to the government addressing these other important issues," wrote the county in their release.

## Finding solutions to flood water

Jenn Watt  
Editor

When more than 80 millimetres of rain fell almost overnight at the end of June, Linda Shantz learned a lot about the drainage act and what rights she has (and doesn't have) over water.

The Mountain Street resident was away during the flood and returned home to find her basement awash and her furnace destroyed.

Shantz's home is on the side of the hill overlooking the municipal office. While water naturally flows down the hill over her property, there is also a culvert that empties from her neighbour's property next to her property line.

To divert the water, Shantz's husband James Batscher dug a trench across the backyard hoping to avoid another basement flood.

The couple called Dysart et al hoping the municipality would allow them to push the water into the sewer system.

"The municipality has been clear that we can't dump water on municipal property," Shantz said.

But without the ability to move the water off their property, Shantz and Batscher worry they're in for more flooded basements in years to come.

Chief building official Dan Sayers said drainage isn't the purview of the municipality except when water is diverted onto municipal land or roads.

"We have no bylaws that regulate what happens on private property as far as drainage goes," he said.

The Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs takes care of the Drain-

age Act, provincial legislation that specifies who can do what with water.

According to spokesperson Susan Murray, if Shantz and her neighbours wanted to send the water that currently flows through their properties into the sewer, they would need to pay for it themselves.

"Under [section] 2 of the act, two or more landowners who want a drainage works and who are willing to pay the cost may enter into a written agreement for the construction, improvement, financing and maintenance of such drainage works," Murray said in an email.

She pointed to a ministry fact sheet, *Top 10 Common Law Drainage Problems Between Rural Neighbours*, to give guidance on how Shantz and Batscher's issue could be resolved.

The fact sheet says "property owners at a lower elevation can either accept the water from neighbours above them or reject it." It goes on to say rejecting the water could include building a wall, berm or dike on the boundary of the land, effectively pushing the water back to the higher-elevation property.

"This apparent paradoxical circumstance would not make good neighbourly sense, does not solve anything, and simply would cause hard feelings between the neighbours," says the fact sheet.

Shantz and Batscher instead decided to dig their backyard trench, hoping to funnel water across their property and away from their home.

"The trench for now is working, but we can't have a trench in our backyard," said Shantz.

They've had a specialist come in to consult on putting a drainage basin in the yard to handle the water.

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*Forever in our memories: Creighton Feir*

## Now what?

**Y**OUR GOVERNMENT shouldn't make you feel powerless.

Even in a weak form of democracy where only a small number of people vote and representatives are bound by the party system, there should be a sense that government will respond to citizen concerns.

Last week, the provincial government finally released the new OPP billing model and aside from a few modifications, it looked a lot like what was originally proposed.

For Haliburton County, it means a multi-million dollar hike in expenses, which will either result in service costs or tax increases. Likely both.

There were concessions – more of the cost will be determined by the types of calls local police officers respond to, for example – but in general, taxpayers are looking at inflated bills come 2015.

The worst part of it is that protests coming from both the voters and municipal politicians barely made a difference.

Recall the county's social media May Day event that rallied residents (full-time and part-time alike) to contact Community Safety and Correctional Services Minister Yasir Naqvi with concerns about the plan.

Recall the county's presence on the Association of Municipalities of Ontario committee addressing the funding changes.

Recall the pressure levied during the provincial election on candidates to get the situation under control.

And yet, only a couple of months

later, we receive word that not much has changed.

Cost per household is still increasing to about \$355 (down from the estimated \$369), seasonal residents are still paying the same cost despite not using the police through more than half of the year, and the county's four municipalities still must raise a collective \$1 million extra per year over the next three years.

As has been said many times before, this is not a criticism of the work done by the Haliburton Highlands OPP – during all of the heated debate and steady lobbying, municipal representatives have been clear that they are happy with service provided.

To be fair to some in the provincial government,

a few concessions have been made: commercial/industrial/institutional properties are now included in the formula; there is a five-year phase-in period and call volume now makes up slightly more of the formula than previously proposed.

However, taken in its entirety, very little was accomplished by us as citizens when we raised our voices through letters and social media posts and editorials and phone calls.

That's what's most worrisome of all.

With a proposal that presented so clear a burden on the taxpayers of a small, rural municipality like Haliburton County, you'd think the government would react to that.

You would expect the voices of the people would make meaningful change. Expectations dashed, all we can ask is: now what?



**Jenn Watt**  
Editor



seagulls

by Darren Lum

## Planning for Colourfest

**G**RAB EVERY chance to savour the remaining days of summer. Come to Haliburton Village to stroll and shop and dine.

The flowers are at their peak and a picnic lunch or dinner in the park can complete a summer's day.

And so, while I grab at every chance to do just that and to swim in my beautiful Highlands lake, I am looking forward to the amazing fall decorations that will fill the village and I am busy planning for the season of colour and the annual BIA fall festival: ColourFest!

ColourFest takes place on Saturday, October 4th. I am pleased to once again be the ColourFest Coordinator and to be working with a great committee: Andy Glecoff, Nelly Ashworth, Andrea Roberts, Luke Schell and Brad Park.

We are well underway and dedicated to providing all of our residents and visitors a family oriented fun festival with something for all ages!

Back again this year will be our The ColourFest Farmers' Market, RPM's Pontoon Boat Rides on Head Lake, the Pet Pooch Contest, Rails End Gallery's Kids Colour Splash, The Youth Unlimited Kids Fun Zone, a Scarecrow Contest for local and area businesses and the Time Travellers Vintage Car Show.

Added to these are new attractions including wagon rides, a pumpkin rolling contest and The Victoria British Car Club parade. And, of course there will be great entertainment at the Highland Street stage with Serendipity, Gary and The Rough Ideas, Custom Blend, Shout Sister, The Heritage Ballet and Haliburton Dance Academy.

We are not finished yet! Lots more information coming your way.

Please listen for ColourFest Corner radio commercial and look for our ColourFest newspaper ads!

ColourFest is also about celebrating this wonderful community and the many organizations and/or non-profit groups who are making a difference in the quality of life in the Highlands.

Last year we welcomed more than 30 non-profit groups as participants in ColourFest and already many of them have indicated they will be back again this year.

Some are hosting festival attractions; some are fundraising and selling great products; some want to tell you about themselves and invite you to join; some just want to meet and greet you! New groups and organizations are always welcome. Please contact me if your non-profit group is interested in participating. haliburtonbia@mail.com.

The ColourFest Eclectic Farmers' Market features everything from maple syrup and fresh produce to jewelry, soap, wool, pesto, granola, exotic foods and dog treats. New vendors are welcome. Spread the word!

ColourFest comes to you from the Haliburton Village BIA and we greatly appreciate our dedicated sponsors and volunteers. It is one of two events, (the other being the Santa Claus Parade) that seeks cash donations and sponsors.

These are necessary to making the festival a success.

If you are a business, restaurant, store or hotel in proximity to Haliburton, we would appreciate your support. ColourFest belongs to all of us and benefits all of us.

Finally, I am short of volunteers. I need you for one or two hours. Please consider helping out in this way. It is fun and you always get more than you give. Be a part of your community. Be a part of ColourFest!



**Gail Stelter**  
BIA in the Village



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## One more challenge

IT SEEMS TO ME you can't watch television or look online lately without eventually seeing some well-known person getting doused with a very large bucket of ice water. It's happened to Conan O'Brien, Jimmy Fallon, Bill Gates and thousands more. It's all part of the very trendy ALS Ice Bucket challenge that's making the rounds these days.

The idea is to raise awareness and funds in order to fight that horrible disease. And it seems to be succeeding on both fronts too. I've now watched clips of dozens of celebrities getting large buckets of ice water dumped on them – which is to say that someone finally invented a way to make YouTube exciting.

Here's the way the Ice Bucket Challenge works. First off, you can only be challenged by someone who has already accepted and passed the challenge and placed it on some form of social media. Then, you've got 24 hours to do the same. If you can't



**Steve Galea**  
Loon Tales

do so, you are asked to contribute money to ALS research.

Most people involved contribute generously either way. The ice water, however, is supposed to encourage larger contributions from those who wimp out.

As far as I'm aware, this is only the second time in known history that a bucket of ice water has been put to good use. The first was when I was a kid and a neighbourhood tom cat tried to breed

Mittens, our little female. On a side note, have you noticed fewer celebrity baby announcements lately?

Maybe it's because I am Canadian or perhaps because I fished in the rain for a large part of this weekend, but I happen to think the Ice Bucket Challenge is a little too easy on those taking part. I liken it to hearing some American newscaster refer to Justin Bieber as Canadian; it's merely a momentary bit of discomfort. And most of it is being done outdoors in the California sunshine from what I can see.

Very few people really consider this a challenge.

That's why I think the ALS Association should up their game by introducing the Ice Fishing Challenge this winter.

If you are going to get Hollywood types to donate large sums of cash, there's no better way than to threaten them with a morning's worth of open air ice fishing if they don't.

I'd start the challenge at first ice in early winter. Then, I'd continue to challenge people through the frigid months of January and February. You don't need to add the ice bucket component – eventually they're just going to step in one.

I guarantee very few online videos will be made. And therefore many generous donations will be forthcoming. It's a no-brainer.

If I'm wrong – and I hope I am – this will be an even bigger win for medical research. We'll raise awareness for ALS research, but also find many rich celebrities contributing to other research causes such as those battling frostbite, hypothermia and whatever mental illness causes an otherwise normal person to go out and fish in the open air of a windswept lake in January.

If I am asked to be the poster boy, so be it.

And, needless to say, some newcomers will discover the many joys of ice fishing too and it will finally become very trendy. Sorry, I had to put that in because people expect me to be funny.

Whether or not the ALS people decide upon following up with this idea, you have to congratulate them for finding a way to raise money for a good cause while dumping a bucket of ice cold water on Rob Ford's head. That's something his rivals have been trying to do for years.

In any case, this campaign has gone viral and it's become a light-hearted way to deal constructively with a serious, heart-breaking part of the human condition.

If only we could now challenge all the leaders of the various armies and militant factions in the Middle East to get on board. Then maybe cooler heads would prevail there too.

## letters to the editor

## Plenty of garlic ready for Garlic Fest

To the Editor,

*Re: Tough year for garlic growers*

My main concern is the title of the article. As a result there has been questions about shortage of garlic for sale. People have been asking is there going to be any garlic this year at the fest? My answer is **yes, definitely!**

Yes, the growers have faced a challenge this year. But in spite of the challenges (longer winter, heavy snow, late spring, heavy rains, not as much sun) garlic has survived and in many instances growers are reporting fantastic yields. It has not been "tough" for

all our growers, the way the title implied. Some growers are still facing challenges, but they are working on solutions.

I would like to clarify about the leek moth laying their eggs in the garlic bulb. This is incorrect. The eggs are laid on the plant itself. More information on the leek moth and nematodes that attack the garlic will be available at the information centre at the Garlic Fest, Saturday, Aug. 23 in Stanhope.

**Sheila Robb**  
President, Haliburton County Garlic Growers Association

## Lead by example

To The Editor,

Constantly being reminded to reuse, recycle, reduce, it astounds me the Municipality of Highlands East would enclose glossy form pamphlets with our final tax bill notices. Nowhere on either pamphlet are the words "on recycled paper or recyclable." I hate to criticize costs incurred for such elaborate enclosures,

however sure it is at the taxpayers' expense. If fiscal restraint is supposed to be a priority for Highlands East council it is not being demonstrated and leading by example does not exist.

**Beverly MacDuff**  
Gooderham

## A flawed OPP model

Dear Premier Wynn:

We were very disappointed to see your announcement last week that you have decided to go ahead with the flawed OPP billing model, which will increase our tax levels significantly in one of the poorest parts of the province.

Residents in our area repeatedly asked your government to consider fairer models. We also asked you to act on the Auditor-General's recommendation that you take steps to curtail the escalating costs of policing. It appears that you have done neither.

The planned phase-in of the increases is an acknowledgement that this will hit people in our area very hard.

Now that you have adopted a model which counts seasonal residences equally with permanent residences, we trust that you will apply this broadly to all provincial funding decisions. If you think that this is a fair approach, we expect to see a commensurate increase in allocation of funding for health care and education and other provincial programs to our region.

This is one more very strong indication that your Liberal government does not understand or is not interested in addressing the concerns and issues of the residents of Haliburton County.

**Tayce Wakefield**  
Little Kennis Lake

## Think about the kids

Gerald Irish

A Senior's Moment

Kids. Those wonderful, mysterious creatures who consume so much of our lives from their arrivals to our departures. So many decisions regarding all of our lives are made in consideration of the kids.

Where to live? We hopefully choose a place that is handy to their educational and recreational sources. The size of the home? How many bedrooms will be needed? How large must the living room and/or rec room be to accommodate the kids and their friends? When we move to a newly purchased residence all of these things and more

have to be considered. This is even true when we become seniors.

Will we have enough sleeping accommodation should the kid come home? Thank God the kids come home once in a while but is it often enough to warrant purchasing a larger property - just in case?

It's wonderful to plan your life around the kids but there comes a time when you think, "What about me?" Have I taken into consideration the kids for such a long time that I have forgotten about me? Have I allowed my life to become so wrapped up in the kids that I no longer think about me first? It's time. I don't know how much time is left, but now it's my time.

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# Nothin' draggin' about dragon boating



County Road 21. Well, guess what, Haliburton. Lake WhaddyathinkI mean has a dragon boat, too. Our very own Rhonda Moo, hand-carved by Twindle Mumbly's nephew, Howard, who has very long arms and a lot of time on his hands.

The best part...Ol' Maybelle is on the Rhonda Moo dragon boating team! That's right. Even at the ripe young age of ffffft ... I'm paddling with my friends, Twindle Mumbly, Vilma Yuccch, Officer Stanley Penelope McBottom, Sybil Beaucannon Hughes and, get ready ... Beanpole Starkman, plus nine other Lake WhaddyathinkI meanantionians. Oh, plus our steersperson, Lumpsen Perfitzkin (Lumpy for short who isn't short, he's just, well... lumpy).

As for Beanpole...why if he didn't think the sport was called "draggin' boating," like in "slow boat to China"...until he found out first-hand that there's nothin' DRAGGIN' about it!

Why dragon boat racing has been around for thousands of years, according to scholarly types and anthropologists, don'tcha know. Yep, they believe it all started in southern central China during the time when games of ancient Greece were being established at Olympia.

Now, why ol' Maybelle finds using the image of a dragon interesting is 'cause of the twelve animals that make up the traditional Chinese zodiac, only the dragon is a mythical creature. Back then, folks thought dragons were the rulers of water on earth: rivers, lakes, and seas. They also thought they dominated the waters of the heavens: clouds, mists, and rains. Paying homage to

the dragon deity was meant to avert misfortune and calamity and encourage rainfall needed for crops and such.

I'm just glad they didn't choose a duck. Because Twindle Mumbly's nephew, Howard, who hand-carved Rhonda Moo is a lousy duck carver. As it is, the little dragon head on the front of the boat looks more like a trout with big nostrils.

Now, how dragon boating caught on in these parts I'm not sure, but I'm sure glad it did because, oh boy is it fun! And what a work out! I think holding the paddle straight up like you do, why it stretched my arms a good three-and-a-half inches. Now I don't have to bend down to pick up where I left off.

The best part is ...it gets me up early on the lake with loons and a gaggle of chirpers and those are just the ones in the boat!

The loons on the lake are so beautiful with their haunting call. And with mist rising off the lake...cottagers just waking up, a cup of coffee in hand, and Fido at their heels on their dock...paddling by in Rhonda Moo is heaven.

"Hit, hit, hit, hit!" Lumpy calls out. And our paddles hit the water even-Steven. Then 20 strokes or so later, he yells: "Let it ride!" And we lift our paddles out of the water and glide glide glide with the energy and momentum generated as a team...sleek and effortless like a bird catching a tail wind and gliding through the sky.

Lumpy's a terrific steersperson...learned all he knows from that Janine girl down in Haliburton (she's the steersperson on the Susanna Woo, don'tcha know). Why word has it, she can turn a fumbling pudding of a team into a five-star strawberry shortcake! Even makes great pizza on the side.

Why just the other morning we had a very special guest drummer sit at the front of the boat and beat out a rhythm that we all paddled to. And since you'll never guess who it was, I'll tell you. It was Twindle Mumbly's rock star brother, Stix Tooya, drummer with the rock band, Gastritis. That's right! Stix drove all the way from the far reaches of upper north-east Whitby just to drum for us.

Oh the fuss that was made! Lineups of women filled the dock wanting Stix to autograph their paddles. And these were gals

who never stepped foot onto a boat. Why word that he was coming spread like wild fire, thanks to Twitter and Facebook...all the way to Algonquin Highlands, Barry's Bay, Kingston, Peterborough and even Hamilton, Ontario-arie-arie-o, don'tcha know.

"Paddles up!" Lumpy shouts, and all 16 of us raise our paddles in readiness. Then: "Take it away!" and there we are paddling hard and fast back toward the dock where the flock of Stix's fans are fanning themselves in wild anticipation, weighing the dock down...down.

Meanwhile, Sybille Baucannon Hughes, one of Stix Tooya's biggest fans, is working hard at keeping her focus on paddling through the ride. Hard as she tries, she's a goner.

"Stix, Stix, Stix, Stix," she keeps mumbling. At least THAT's in sync. She is sitting right next to me so I can hear her clear as day. Every time Lumpy shouts, "Hit, hit, hit, hit" ... Sybille's mumbling, "Stix, Stix, Stix, Stix." And now I hear Vilma Yuccch, two rows up doing the same thing. I'm thinking: Good thing her honey, Officer Stanley Penelope McBottom can't hear her. He's sitting just back of me.

But then I hear HIM mumbling: "Stix, Stix, Stix."

Why it's so contagious, now LUMPY's shouting: "Stix, Stix, Stix, Stix..."

And for some strange reason it's causing Rhonda Moo to FLYYYYY through the water faster, faster..."Stix, Stix, Stix, Stix" ... just in time for us to see the dock and all of Stix's fans fall into the lake!

Oh my gosh how we laughed...and so did the gals who were soaked to the bone draggin' themselves up on shore. That was the ONLY thing draggin' about dragon boating that fine morning in Lake WhaddyathinkI mean.

*Maybelle's Fireside Stories is written by Jerelyn Craden, author of Vessie Flamingo Outshining the Moon, available at amazon.com*



HIGHLAND STORM TRY-OUT SCHEDULE

Minor Hockey Association

Tyke	Atom	Bantam	Midget Girls
<b>Mon, Aug 18</b> 6:00 PM-7:00 PM <i>A. J. LaRue Arena</i>	<b>Mon, Aug 18</b> 8:30 PM-10:00 PM <i>A. J. LaRue Arena</i>	<b>Tue, Aug 19</b> 8:30 PM-10:00 PM <i>A. J. LaRue Arena</i>	<b>Tue, Aug 26</b> 8:30 PM-10:00 PM <i>A. J. LaRue Arena</i>
<b>Mon, Aug 25</b> 5:00 PM-6:00 PM <i>A. J. LaRue Arena</i>	<b>Mon, Aug 25</b> 7:30 PM-9:00 PM <i>A. J. LaRue Arena</i>	<b>Wed, Sep 03</b> 8:30 PM-10:00 PM <i>A. J. LaRue Arena</i>	<b>Wed, Sep 03</b> 9:00 PM-10:30 PM <i>S. G. Nesbitt Arena</i>
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<b>Thu, Sep 04</b> 6:00 PM-7:00 PM <i>S. G. Nesbitt Arena</i>	<b>Thu, Sep 04</b> 7:00 PM-8:30 PM <i>S. G. Nesbitt Arena</i>	<b>Fri, Sep 05</b> 7:00 PM-8:30 PM <i>A. J. LaRue Arena</i>	<b>Fri, Sep 05</b> 7:00 PM-8:30 PM <i>S. G. Nesbitt Arena</i>

Novice	Peewee	Midget
<b>Mon, Aug 18</b> 7:00 PM-8:30 PM <i>A. J. LaRue Arena</i>	<b>Fri, Aug 22</b> 8:30 PM-10:00 PM <i>A. J. LaRue Arena</i>	<b>Thu, Aug 28</b> 9:30 PM-11:00 PM <i>A. J. LaRue Arena</i>
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**Thursday, August 28th, 2014-Last Names O-Z**  
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Everyone is welcome.

Parent Nomination Forms may be picked up during Registration Week.

SEMESTER 1 COMMENCES ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2nd, 2014

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# Parkinson SuperWalk needs your support

**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

Dave Graham is not one to shy from challenge. Even with cancer Graham is driven by love for his wife, Val, to organize the second Parkinson SuperWalk for Haliburton for Parkinson Society Canada on Sunday, Sept. 21.

Although most people know the disease through celebrities such as actor Michael J. Fox or boxer Muhammad Ali, Graham lived with it by caring for his wife while on Canning Lake.

He took care of her when she was afflicted with Parkinson's until he couldn't do it anymore. Now she also has Alzheimer's disease. He visits her a few days at a time every month at her care facility in Guelph.

The SuperWalk event represents a way for him to help others.

"I'd like to give something back. Especially after attending these [Parkinson] conferences in Toronto and London and seeing how other people deal with it. There are people who are really bad with Parkinson's," he said.

Every year there are close to 14,000 participants for the Parkinson SuperWalk, which is the largest national fundraiser for Parkinson Society Canada. In 2013, the national effort raised close to \$3 million for more than 100,000 Canadians who live with Parkinson's.

Graham invites everyone, particularly high school students, to participate in the event.

"It's not [just] an old person's disease. When you see a 20 year-old girl with Parkinson's it's not a pretty sight ... you want to do something," he said.

Young people should inquire about any family history of Parkinson's. Teens may want to walk for their relatives, he said.

Parkinson's is a disease without a cure.

It is a progressive disorder of the nervous system that initially affects movement.

Everyone is affected differently, but some of the symptoms include tremors, slowness and stiffness, impaired balance, fatigue, problems with handwriting, constipation and sleep disturbances. Additional symptoms can also include cognitive and behavioural effects. Medication is used to treat symptoms.

Unlike last year, when Graham had only a couple of weeks to organize the Haliburton event, he hopes the more than three months of extra time will result in surpassing the 30 participants and the \$1,700 raised for the inaugural year.

He credits Karen Boyer, facilitator for the Northern Ontario Parkinson Society with helping him. Graham said he'd be happy with anything more than \$2,000 this year.

Haliburton was among the best of any first year for a SuperWalk.

The money, which all goes to the northern Ontario region of Parkinson Society Canada (which geographically starts with Haliburton) helps with advocacy, support, research and awareness through education.

Some of that comes in the form of support groups like the one he leads monthly with upwards of 20 people in Haliburton.



**Darren Lum** Staff

Haliburton's Dave Graham is inviting people to join him as he walks for his wife, Val, and everyone affected by Parkinson's disease in the Parkinson SuperWalk on Sunday, Sept. 21 in Haliburton. Graham organized the first Haliburton event last year and is excited to improve on his fundraising and participation numbers. The event will start at 10:30 a.m. at the Haliburton library branch with check-in at 10 a.m. Call Dave Graham at 705-457-1296 or see [www.parkinsonsuperwalk.ca](http://www.parkinsonsuperwalk.ca) for more information.

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"Everybody benefits," he said, referring to those with the disease and their caregivers.

Although this event helps the northern Ontario region specifically, there is research happening all over the world to find a cure.

"Everybody is looking, but it's like finding that needle in the haystack," he said. "It will be found one day."

Five volunteers have already committed, but Graham invites more to join him to help with setup and registration.

On a past cross-country train trip with his wife, he was amazed at strangers who made reference to the generosity of people in Haliburton County.

"While out on Vancouver Island we heard out there [in the conversation] how generous the people in Halibur-

ton and Haliburton County were," he said. "They weren't quite sure where Haliburton was, but they'd heard about the generosity of the people in Haliburton. That's true because we're supposed to be the poorest in Ontario, but people always come forward with something. The support is amazing. Sometimes it just blows me away." He's always impressed and proud of the people for their support and help to causes in Haliburton. He doesn't expect anything less for the SuperWalk.

The SuperWalk starts at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, Sept. 21 at the Haliburton library branch. Registration is at 10 a.m. Refreshments will be available.

For more information on the event and how to help, whether volunteering or through sponsorship contact Dave Graham at 705-457-1296.

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# Donors make moments matter

**Zach Cox**  
Staff reporter

Launched on Friday, May 23, the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation's Making Moments Matter campaign for the Haliburton Highlands Palliative Centre is steadily working its way towards the \$900,000 goal. Thanks to the generous donations given by the community the campaign is at the \$600,000 mark. One pair of donors, Kimberley Wilkinson and her husband Michael Harrison who donated \$100,000 in honour of Wilkinson's parents, are hoping to raise awareness of the campaign and encourage others to donate in support of the cause.

Wilkinson and Harrison, who cottage on Miskwabi Lake, have had ties to the Haliburton area for years, and the region was even a factor that brought them together.

When she was a child, Wilkinson's family had a cottage on Little Hawk Lake and the summers of her childhood were spent in Haliburton County. Later, Wilkinson's parents Bonnie and John decided to move to the region. Because their cottage on Little Hawk Lake was not accessible year-round, they sold it and purchased a farmhouse in Irondale where they lived happily for 20 years. When both of Wilkinson's parents were suffering from lung cancer, they went to Toronto for treatment, and her father's final days were spent in palliative care, a service that Wilkinson found enormously beneficial.

"Because of our amazing experiences with the Haliburton hospital and with palliative care, we decided to make a donation," said Wilkinson in a speech at the campaign launch back in May.

On Friday, Aug. 15, Wilkinson and Harrison met with the *Echo* to discuss their contribution to the campaign further.

"We wanted to have a real strong hospital, that's why we became involved," says Harrison.

"We like to make sure the Haliburton hospital is in good shape," Wilkinson agreed. "I think if any of the cottagers around use the hospital near as much as we do, then everyone is using it a fair amount."

She adds that having parents who lived in the area really opened her eyes to the needs of the local population. "That's one of the other reasons we like to give money to the hospitals in Haliburton - to help them improve facilities for local people."

Wilkinson and Harrison said it would be nice to see more cottagers supporting the hospital and the Making Moments Matter Campaign.

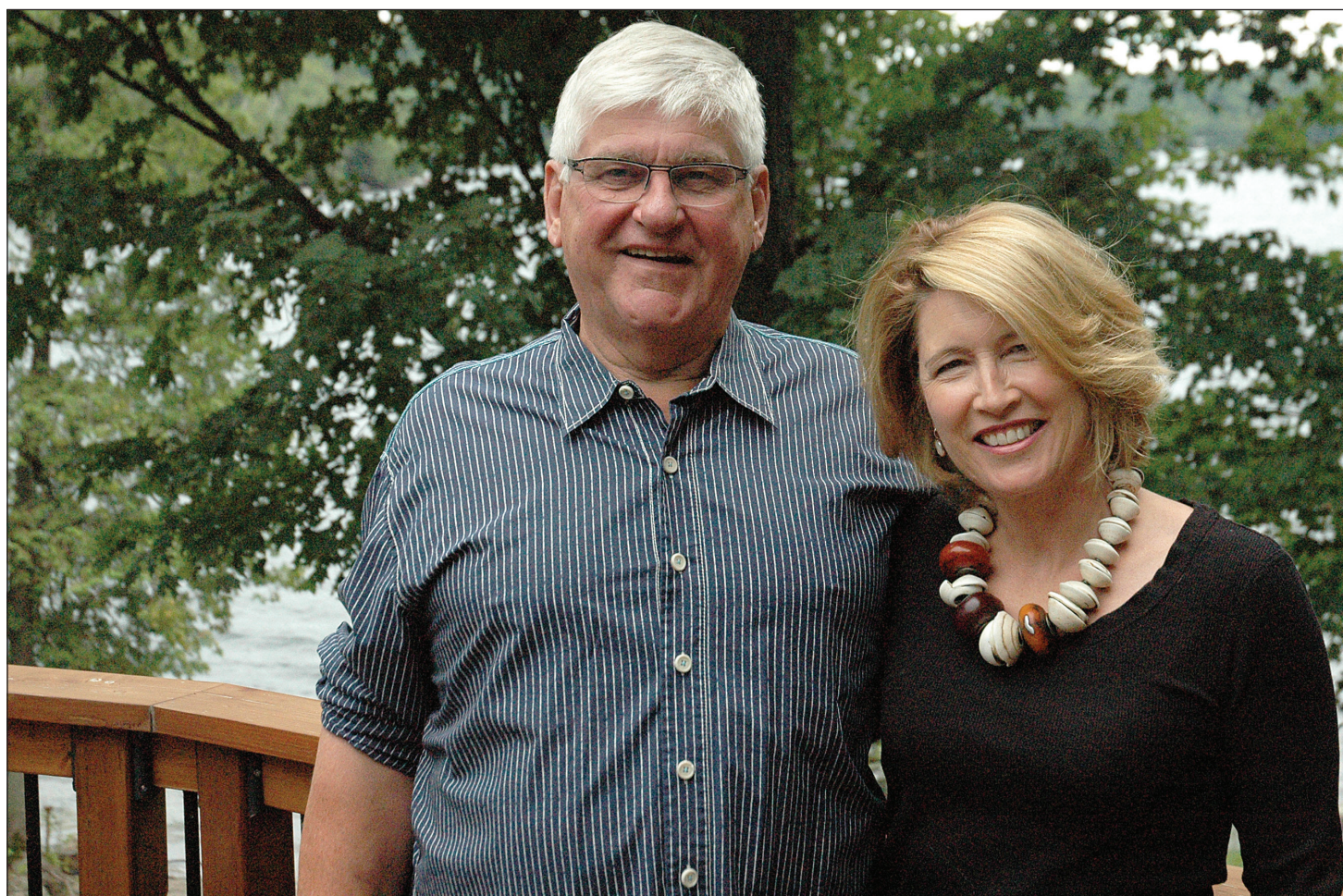
"Up here, whenever we're at things like the golf tournaments or fundraisers like the galas they've had in Haliburton you don't see a lot of cottagers there supporting it. For such a small community, they get a lot of money out of the local community," says Wilkinson. "I think cottagers sometimes don't think of donating up here."

Wilkinson and Harrison hope they can change that by leading by example.

"I think the hospital needs your help, simple as that," says Harrison, "I think it needs the help of the people that use it."

Harrison suggests a lack of anticipated usage may be giving cottagers reservations about donating. "I think the problem with palliative care is that they don't really see themselves using it, as a visitor," he says.

Wilkinson says that people who are planning to retire to the region should keep the campaign in mind. "If your dream is to retire here some day, consider where you want your palliative care cen-



**Zach Cox** Staff

Miskwabi Lake cottagers Michael Harrison and Kimberley Wilkinson donated \$100,000 to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation's Making Moments Matter campaign, an initiative to raise \$900,000 for the construction of Haliburton Highlands Palliative Centre. Harrison and Wilkinson donated in honour of Wilkinson's parents, Bonnie and John. As the campaign works towards its goal, Harrison and Wilkinson hope to raise awareness and inspire others to donate.

tre to be."

The couple is very pleased to have been able to take part in the fundraising campaign, especially in honour of Wilkinson's parents.

"Because my parents lived here and cotted here for so long we wanted their names to be remembered in the Haliburton area," says Wilkinson.

"This is our opportunity to do that," adds Harrison. Their donation earned them a position of "founder" on the donor recognition display, and the couple intends to have their space recognize Bonnie and John.

The Haliburton Highlands Palliative Centre will be an addition of the current hospital building in Haliburton and will be comprised of two suites and a family room. Dale Walker, executive director of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation says that construction is slated to begin later this year.

Don Popple, co-chair of the Making Moments Matter campaign, is of the opinion that palliative care is a perfect fit for Haliburton County. "You don't have to look very far to see the number of seniors we've got up here," he says.

He believes that the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation is a great organization for people to make their "charity of choice."

"I do it because I have a great source of pride in Haliburton and if you talk to real estate agents, when people come to Haliburton looking for a place to live, the most asked question is 'What do you have for health services?'"

The campaign's progress has pleased Popple and he believes that it will be successful. "We have great health services here because we've got good people and now we have good facilities and good support," he says. "I think we have a lot of pride in our health services and that's why [the campaign] will be successful."



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Two Rooms fills Pinestone with music (and crowds)

Wendy Irvine, left, belts out a note, along with Mark Christiano, centre and Julian Troiano during Two Rooms Live on Aug. 16 at Pinestone Resort and Conference Centre. Irvine was one of the lead vocalists of the show that pays tribute to legendary singer Elton John and his lyricist Bernie Taupin. The performance included a 10-piece band and Irvine and Christiano performing hits such as *Rocket Man*, *Tiny Dancer*, *Crocodile Rock* and *Bennie and the Jets*. The show was performed to a full house of 250 guests, with standing room only. Angelica Blenich Staff



**Dog day**  
Dogs sailed through the air at the Ultimate Air Dogs show on Aug. 16, part of the Cottage Country Dog Festival. The first time event featured a series of competitions, including the farthest jump into the pool. Competitors were leaping as far as 18 feet, following a ball thrown into the air. Angelica Blenich Staff





Darren Lum Staff

The Dysart et al Environment and Green Energy Committee Repurposing Contest, which challenges people to create things from items otherwise put in the landfill, wants people to think about what they throw into the landfill. There are three categories with \$100 cash prizes for each.

# Repurpose contest rewards ingenuity

Darren Lum  
Staff reporter

There's more than just \$300 in prize money at stake in the Dysart et al Repurposing Contest 2014 said the township's chief administrative officer Tamara Wilbee.

The prize money is a good incentive, but this contest is to get people thinking about what we throw away, Wilbee said. "It doesn't really matter what we get [as far as entries] it's more the idea of getting people to think about what's going into our landfills. That's the bottom line," she said.

The contest is open to anyone of any age and challenges entrants to come up with the best creation for the categories of practical (useful function), creative (artistic or decorative use) and alternative energy (harness wind, light, water, etc.). Winners in each category can win \$100, provided by the township.

The idea came from the environment and green energy committee who ran the contest for the first time last year. Part of the committee's function is to visit the landfills and educate the public about alternative energy, recycling and reusing.

The committee includes Ron Hamann, Ray Gervais, Lee Battiston, Brian Nash and councillors Susan Norcross and Dennis Casey.

Images of the entries can be submitted and posted to the contest Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/Dysartrepurpose](http://www.facebook.com/Dysartrepurpose) or for those without a Facebook account can email images to Wilbee at [twilbee@dysartetal.ca](mailto:twilbee@dysartetal.ca).

Although last year township staff and councillors voted on the winner, this year the judges have yet to be chosen. Last year's winner in the general entry category was awarded at the Haliburton Home Show. Entries were accepted through Pinterest. Deadline for entries is midnight on Sept. 1. The winners will be announced at ColourFest.

Wilbee said the contest would even accept submissions made in the past. "As long as you made it and you can explain it," she said. "We don't want to tie anyone down."

The committee, she said, thought greater interest was possible by starting this May to include fulltime residents and seasonal residents. Wilbee hopes this contest generates discussion and makes people stop and think before taking things to the landfill.

"We get a lot of comments from people about needing to repurpose more and how there are good things at the dump. We thought maybe [this contest is] a way to make people more aware that there are other things they can do with the things that they are taking [to the landfill]. They can turn it into something creative," she said.



## Backpacks for Kids

Backpacks for Kids program lead Liz Boxall, Haliburton Legion president Carla Watson, Stanhope fire department president Robert Sargent, Stanhope fire department member Renzo Rosati, Point in Time executive director Marg Cox, Bell Aliant representative Jim Winn and owner of Needful Things Rhonda Cooper show off several of the backpacks gathered through the Backpacks for Kids campaign. This year is the eighth year the program has run in Haliburton County. In 2007 the program collected 18 backpacks, this year 136 were donated. The backpacks contain school supplies and are distributed around the county to children in need.

Donations have come from numerous sources including Haliburton area Bell Aliant employees, employees from the Belleville Engineering office, the Highlands East Fire Department, the Minden Hills Fire Department, the Stanhope Firefighters Association, the Dysart Fire Department, Sir Sandford Fleming College employees, Point in Time board members and concerned individuals. In a press release, Bell Aliant recognized the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 129, Haliburton as this year's largest Haliburton County donor.

The school supplies are provided at a discount from Needful Things, and owner Rhonda Cooper and Camden Eason donated their time to fill each of the backpacks. Point in Time receives the backpacks from Bell Aliant and distributes them to children throughout the community.

Zach Cox Staff



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# Opera Studio hitting all the right notes

**Zach Cox**  
Staff reporter

When people think of the Haliburton Highlands, it's not likely that opera will immediately spring to mind, but perhaps it should. Over the past several years the Highlands Opera Studio, which operates out of the St. George's Anglican Church in Haliburton, has been providing coaching and performances for opera singers who are looking to improve their skills.

"This is our eighth season," says company manager Melissa Stephens, "[The opera studio is] an opportunity for emerging professional opera singers to come and hone their skills, and they get coaching and audition opportunities and they do master classes and concerts. Then they do two one-act chamber concerts, ... and then at the end we do four performances of what you would call our main opera."

This year's main production is *Tosca*, the Italian masterpiece by Giacomo Puccini. The other operas performed this year were *The Bear* and *Rita*, which were presented as a double feature on Wednesday, Aug. 13 and Friday Aug. 15.

The selection process for the opera studio's participants begins with the new year. "We do auditions in January, all across Canada and New York," says Stephens, "Val Kuinka is the general director and Richard Margison, her husband, is the artistic director."

The auditions are competitive, with many more applicants than open spaces. "[Kuinka and Margison] listened to, this year, about 200 singers for between 15 and 18 spots," says Stephens.

"The number of spots depends on two things," she says. The first of the factors is the operas being performed. The number of characters in the opera impacts the number



Andrea Grant provides the piano accompaniment during a Highlands Studio Opera rehearsal of their upcoming performance of the Italian opera, *Tosca*. The show will be performed at the Northern Lights Performing Pavilion on Friday, Aug. 22, Sunday, Aug. 24, Tuesday, Aug. 26 and Thursday, Aug. 28. Zach Cox Staff



Keith Lam rehearses his role of Sacristan on Thursday, Aug. 14.



Student Kijong Wi rehearses his part in the Italian opera.



Nathan Keoughan takes his position during a rehearsal.

of singers required. Sometimes, larger roles are double cast to provide stage experience opportunities for more singers.

The other factor is whether the opera studio brings on any independent participants. "Sometimes [the directors] hear some-

body that is just phenomenal whose voice doesn't fit the opera that we're doing that particular year but they would love to give them an opportunity to come study with us. So we sometimes have a couple of independent participant spots."

After the selection process those who had a successful audition come to Haliburton around the middle of the summer.

"They arrived this year on the 27th of July and most of them are here for five weeks," says Stephens.

The singers are boarded with host families in the area. "We have a lot of people who very graciously either open up their homes or their B&Bs for a much lesser amount," Stephens says, adding that the experience is beneficial for both the singers and the host families.

"We've even got people now approaching us about hosting somebody because you learn a lot about opera and you also learn a lot about the person and they get connected to them and start to follow their career which is kind of cool."

During their five-week stay the opera singers get plenty of instruction and rehearsal time. "This is very similar to the type of schedule that if these guys were

involved in an opera company," says Stephens, indicating a page-long printed timetable that features rehearsal times, casting calls and more. "This is the type of schedule that they would be using on a daily basis. Every night at 7:30 or 8, a schedule like this would go out."

The days are usually comprised of six hours of learning and rehearsing, "but the staff put in quite a few hours outside those rehearsals. And then we have, about every second or third night a concert," says Stephens.

So what is the cost for the elaborate education for up-and-coming opera singers? Well, for the performers themselves, nothing.

"The participants pay nothing to be here," says Stephens, "By the time we pay faculty, we pay for our rehearsal space here and for all our rehearsal time at the theatre, and pay for accommodation, and we feed them lunch every day ... costumes, pianists, by the time all of those things are paid for we think it averages around \$5,500 per participant."

To cover the costs, the Highlands Opera Studio coordinates an annual fundraiser and receives donations. "We do a fundraiser in Toronto that's sponsored by BMO and BMO, as well, gives us a large sponsorship. Then there's many other significant sponsorships, some of them are from individuals, a few of them are corporate." Over the years sponsorships have come in from across Canada, from areas such as Victoria, B.C., a demonstration of the reach the program has developed.

Initially, the Highlands Opera Studio was a component of the Highlands Summer Festival, but over the eight years since it began, the studio has grown into its own.

"We started under the umbrella of the Highlands Summer Festival," says Stephens. "We purchase certain services from them now but we have a different mandate from them now so we've got our own charitable number."

In addition to schooling for professional opera singers, the studio gives opportunities for members of the community to learn. "We also have the Highlands Community Opera School," says Stephens, "that's for people from the community to have lessons. So there's a woman by the name of Marjorie Maltais who is here teaching."

The Highlands Opera Studio's main production *Tosca* will be performed at the Northern Lights Performing Pavilion at 8 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 22, Tuesday, Aug. 26 and Thursday, Aug. 28, as well as having a 2 p.m. performance on Sunday, Aug. 24. The famed German conductor, Daniel Lipton, will conduct the performances. More information on the Highlands Opera Studio can be found on their website at [highlandsoperastudio.com](http://highlandsoperastudio.com), where tickets for *Tosca* can also be purchased.

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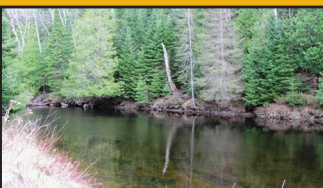
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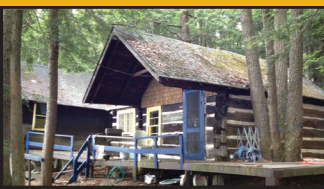
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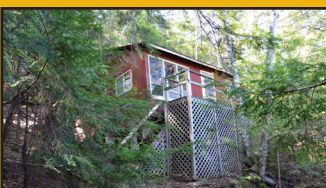
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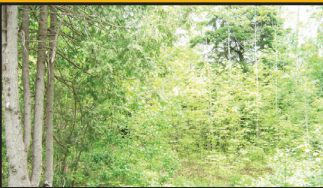
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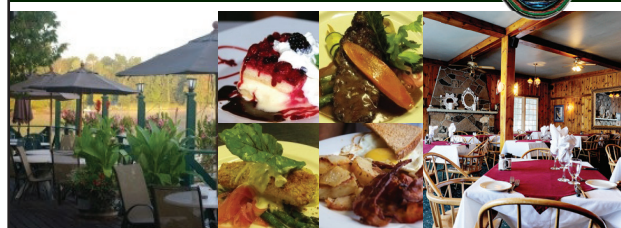
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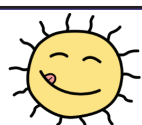
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# Cockburn expresses compassion through music

**Nate Smelle**  
Special to the *Echo*

There is a naturally enchanting quality to the music and lyrics of Bruce Cockburn that connects with Canadians in a special way. Through his songs he paints vivid pictures that reveal both his love for the natural world and his outrage against its abuse. His hauntingly happy melodies fit perfectly with the remote wilderness setting of the Bone Lake Amphitheatre in the Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve on Aug. 17. Echoing gently across the water his smooth and soothing sound held the audience of more than 700 people spellbound for more than two hours during the finale of this year's Forest Festival. Cockburn performed classics such as *Stolen Land*, *Call it Democracy*, *Wondering Where the Lions Are*, and *Mama just wants to barrelhouse all night long*.

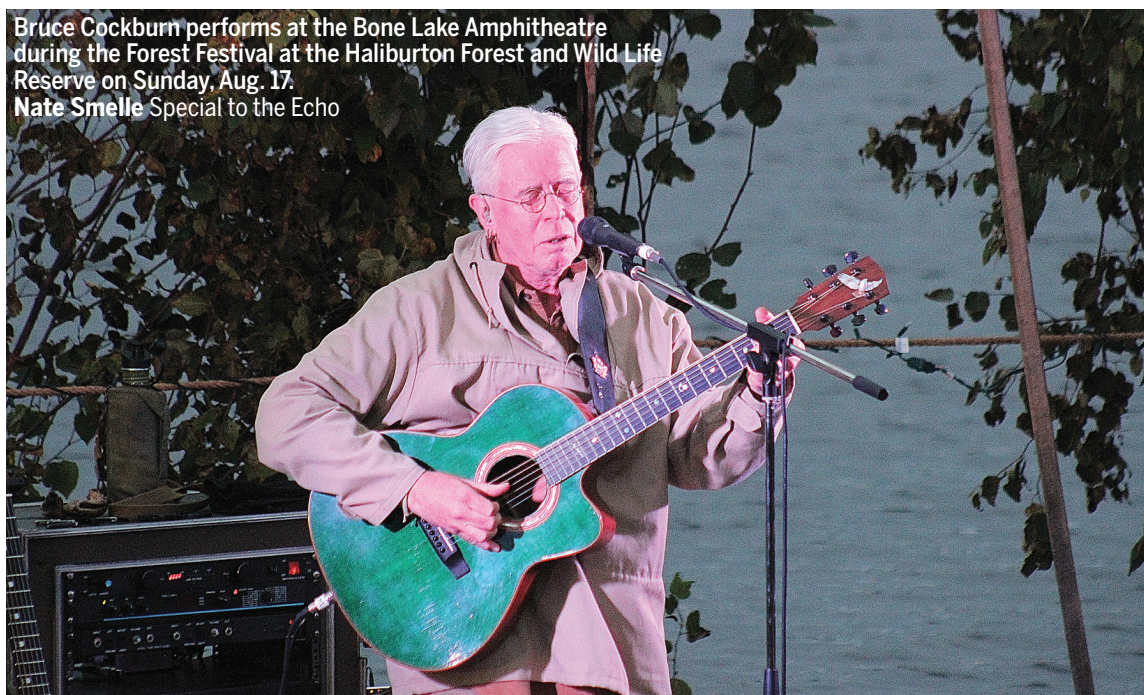
When the music was over Cockburn made his way from the floating stage and up the hill to meet with his fans. After the crowd shuffled back through the forest to their vehicles, the Canadian music icon reflected upon his experiences as an artist and an activist.

"For me the music comes first," Cockburn said.

"It has been my good fortune to have been raised with a degree of awareness of what is going on in the world, and with a degree of concern."

Drawing inspiration from his first-hand experiences of war, poverty and ecological destruction around the planet his words share an honest perspective of a world that is both beautiful and troubled. Somehow whether he is singing about *Where the Death Squad Lives in Guatemala*, or *If a Tree Falls*, Cockburn is able

Bruce Cockburn performs at the Bone Lake Amphitheatre during the Forest Festival at the Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve on Sunday, Aug. 17.  
Nate Smelle Special to the Echo



to communicate his impression of the world within and outside of him in a way that is distinctly Canadian. An attentive observer of culture and nature he sees it as his responsibility to share these observations in his art.

"My job as I see it, is to say what I see," said Cockburn.

"Not everyone wants to look at the things I like to look at, so that makes me different from some people. I chose to go to Central America in the early 1980s because I was curious, because I wanted to see what was going on up close. I went to Baghdad and Afghanistan for the same reason."

Cockburn said that although many of his lyrics evoke a feeling of empathy and concern for the suffering of others his motivation to make meaningful music is partially for his own benefit.

"I want to understand the human experience as much as I

can, and I want to write about it," he said.

"Unfortunately the human experience includes some really awful [stuff], and sometimes that ends up in songs. It makes for dramatic song material, but songs like that also provide an opportunity to air the issue in a broader way than it might be being aired."

Cockburn is planning to put his words and music into action on behalf of environmentalist David Suzuki's cross-country Blue Dot Tour. He is scheduled to perform on the tour in Edmonton on Oct. 28. Joining the likes of Neil Young, Jim Cuddy and Greg Keelor, the Barenaked Ladies, as well as author Margaret Atwood, painter Robert Bateman and many other prominent Canadian artists, Cockburn is excited to be part of the campaign.

"I have been involved with David Suzuki for decades," Cock-

burn said.

"He is one of those remarkable people who really lays things out in a lucid and reasoned, yet passionate way, and I value that highly. I guess you can say I'm a fan of his."

Recognizing that when artists take a stand against injustice of any type they are often criticized for sharing their perspective, Cockburn chooses to remain an outspoken defender of human rights, the environment and Indigenous culture. The heavy backlash that Neil Young received after he spoke up against the tar sands on his Honour the Treaties tour is an example of this, he said. Cockburn believes one of the reasons positive political and social change is slow to come is because a few individuals are still allowed to profit off of dysfunctional industries at the expense of the many.

"There are people with an axe

to grind," he said, "people with a vested interest, people who disagree for legitimate reasons maybe. There are a lot of people who have a vested interest in the status quo who don't like to see the tree shaken very much."

Continuing to "shake the tree" at age 69, Cockburn shows no sign of slowing down. On Nov. 4 he will be releasing his first book *Rumours of Glory: A Memoir*. In 2013 he was featured in a documentary film directed by Joel Goldberg titled *Bruce Cockburn Pacing the Cage*. He also released the album *Small Source of Comfort* in 2011. As his music continues to evolve he said he has come to understand the power and the limitations of music as a tool for compassion. It is of utmost importance to Cockburn that the message in his music is transmitted to his audience in a way that authentically represents the experience and the spirit behind the song. This past May he received the Allan Slaight Humanitarian Spirit Award for his work helping others.

"A song by itself isn't going to change anything," he said.

"There has to be a fertile ground for it to fall on. It's easy to write propaganda. There is a connection to something real that somebody is feeling somewhere. To me, that's a crucial difference because I don't want to be a propagandist I want to be an artist. It's that little touch of the guts of reality that makes it away from being propaganda. I try to write the truth as I understand it, but somebody else looking at the same set of circumstances might see a different truth."

For more information regarding Cockburn's music and activism visit [www.brucecockburn.com](http://www.brucecockburn.com), and [www.cockburnproject.net](http://www.cockburnproject.net).

## Barb Bolin nominated for prestigious Premier's Award

Haliburton School of the Arts' former principal Barb Bolin is one of six alumni nominated by Fleming College for this year's Premier's Awards for outstanding college graduates.

Bolin is one of 114 Ontario college graduates nominated this year and will be honoured at a gala on Nov. 24 at the Royal York in Toronto where the winners will be revealed. There are six winners in total.

Nominees demonstrate commitment to career success and have contributed in a significant way to their community. There are six categories: business; community services; creative arts and design; health sciences; recent graduate and technology. Bolin is nominated in the creative arts and design category.

When Bolin first learned about being nominated she was surprised and honoured.

"I have seen the calibre of people who are nominated for Premier's Awards and who win and it's incredible," she said. "I was obviously very flattered."

Bolin finds herself in a category with some outstanding



Former Haliburton School of the Arts principal Barb Bolin was nominated by Fleming College for a Premier's Award. She is among 114 across the province up for six awards. Photo submitted

reflective of her achievements but is significant for rural communities.

"It's nice to see that the Premier's Awards look at people from rural Canada too," she said. "Just because it's not city and it's not big doesn't mean arts and culture don't have an impact."

A graduate of recreation leadership, Bolin was an integral part of the founding of the Haliburton campus of Fleming College, following in the footsteps of Don Popple.

"When I arrived it was a very small school of the arts and there were no live teachers in the winter; we had no full-time programming," said Bolin.

The nominee is looking forward to the awards ceremony in November at the Royal York, regardless of the outcome.

"It'll be a fabulous event because you'll get to meet and see all of these amazing people who are doing fabulous things," she said.

Other nominees from Fleming include David Cain, Lorri Baird, Julie Cordasco and Joshua See.

nominees, from CBC broadcaster David Common to Jon Montgomery, host of the popular television show *The Amazing Race Canada*.

"Barb's work over 40 years has positively shaped the creative arts and cultural landscape indus-

try wide in the province," a press release from the college says.

Bolin worked at HSTA for 35 years where she was principal/dean and "grew a small part-time education centre to a nationally recognized institution," the

release reads.

She is the founding chair of the Haliburton Sculpture Forest and Haliburton Highlands Arts Council.

For the former dean of the HSTA, the recognition is not just



Dashing for ‘Kash’

Runners take off during the 17th annual Kash End of Summer Dash at the Pinestone Resort and Conference Centre on Aug. 17. Fifty adults participated in the 10-kilometre run, which started at the resort and went up to Wigamog Road before ending back at Pinestone. Earlier in the morning 15 kids took part in a one-kilometre run. The event raises funds for Canadian Physicians Providing Aid Relief (CPAR) work in Africa. Angelica Blenich Staff



Craig Smith and Mike Armstrong joined in the run benefitting CPAR, an international aid organization.

The Highland Yard and Places for People wishes to thank the 60 volunteers, the 227 runners, and everyone listed below for contributing to the success of the 2014 Highland Yard.

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Hodgson launches CoHo, meets fans

Barb Hodgson-Medd, centre, was all smiles with her grandchildren Charlotte, left, Cody and Clayton when she came out to support Cody at Abbey Gardens on Aug. 16. Buffalo Sabres NHL player Cody Hodgson was busy signing photos and his own clothing apparel at the gardens during a meet and greet event. The event was a launch for Hodgson's clothing line, called CoHo. Left, There was a flurry of activity at Abbey Gardens on Aug. 16 as people checked out the clothing line of NHL hockey player Cody Hodgson, appropriately named CoHo, and got a chance to meet Hodgson. The clothing, which is made in Canada, includes T-shirts, sweatshirts, hats and more. Angelica Blenich Staff



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# Volunteers needed for Food for Kids



**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

Heading into his third year as the co-ordinator of Food for Kids, Aaron Walker is looking for more volunteers to bolster his team of close to 60 people who help with ensuring some 2,200 students receive close to 4,000 healthy breakfasts or snacks every week during the school year.

"Children are our most vulnerable sector of our community. They need all the help they can get. You see your kids and your neighbour's kids you want to see them do as well as possible. It's just one of the many ways you can be helping them out," he said. "Food is a basic necessity of life."

Food for Kids started in 1999 and is run in seven schools (Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, Adult Education Training Centre, Stuart Baker Elementary School, Archie Stouffer Elementary School, Wilberforce Elementary School, Cardiff Elementary School and J.Douglas Hodgson Elementary School) in Haliburton County.

Everyone is welcome to volunteer.

Although high school students have volunteered to get their community hours, it's recommended an adult should supervise any children volunteers.

All volunteers must have a police check performed (free for volunteers).

Volunteers prepare food, interact with other volunteers, see the benefits of the program and, depending on the school, interact with the students, as some schools coordinate a "bin program."

The program runs from 8 to 9 a.m. daily at the elementary schools and the adult education centre. At the high school, the program runs three days week.

Volunteers are asked to give as much time as they can, Walker said.

Grandparents Rena Scott and her husband Jim St. John, who don't have grandchildren in any of the schools here, love being able to give back during their retirement to a worthwhile program.

"I just found all my life I never had the opportunity or never taken the time or had the time to volunteer and do something with a direct result. Now I'm doing that," she said.

Scott, a retired customer care worker with Bell Canada, also volunteers with Community Care Haliburton County.

From her own experience and, most recently, at her grown daughter's house where the children chose not to eat more than toast and cereal, she knows the chal-

Haliburton County Food for Kids co-ordinator Aaron Walker is looking for volunteers to help 2,200 students this year. Ensuring children get a healthy breakfast or snack has a direct correlation to academic success, he said. Contact him for more information [awalkerfood4kids@gmail.com](mailto:awalkerfood4kids@gmail.com) or at 705-455-2358. **Darren Lum** Staff

lenges facing parents today.

"I know how difficult it is even with the best intentions to get them to eat properly. I know that from statistics and reading that kids don't learn when they're hungry," she said.

The two retirees, who will continue volunteering this year, enlisted their Koshlong Lake neighbours to volunteer at JDHES in their first year so that they could cover each other when they couldn't come to the school.

Fresh fruit such as apples, oranges, melons and grapes, whole-wheat bagels and dairy products such as cheese and yogurt, and vegetables are typically served.

Contrary to what some people might think, it's not just for kids from low-income families, as children, particularly teens, don't always eat when they first get up, Walker said.

"Definitely it has a lot to do with children that have rushed mornings or who are not hungry when they wake up. By the time they get to school they are hungry after a long bus ride. So, it has nothing to do with their economic status," he said.

He referenced studies that say students learn better when not hungry.

Besides ensuring a healthy start to the day for students, Food for Kids also teaches healthy eating habits for the recipients as well as their families.

"I know first-hand from a lot of volunteers that they've seen a lot of kids try a fruit or a vegetable for the first time and be really excited about how much they like it. They actually bring that experience back home to their families. There is a ripple effect for sure," he said.

For more information contact Aaron Walker [awalkerfood4kids@gmail.com](mailto:awalkerfood4kids@gmail.com) or 705-455-2358.



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Happy 103<sup>rd</sup> birthday Marj Peel!

Marjorie Peel, known simply as Marj by friends, said the most significant thing in her life to happen was to make it to her 103rd birthday. Friends gathered with her to celebrate on Friday, Aug. 15 at the Haliburton Royal Canadian Legion. Organized by Haliburton County Community Care, the event that included cake and refreshments preceded the weekly cribbage game that Peel regularly plays. She technically turned 103 on Aug. 19.

Darren Lum Staff

Notice



COUNTY OF HALIBURTON  
LAND DIVISION COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS FOR CONSENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 53(5)(a) of the *Planning Act* and Section 3, O.Reg. 197/96, as amended, that the following Applications for Consent have been submitted to the Haliburton County Land Division Committee, the consent granting authority in these matters.

AND FURTHER THAT at its meeting to be held **Monday, September 8, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario, these Applications for Consent will be heard by the Land Division Committee:

- 1. File No. H-041/13  
Applicant: ESTATE OF JOYCE KERR  
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 7, Concession 1, Geographic Township of Dudley  
Nature of the Application: New Lot
- 2. File No. H-029/14  
Applicant: Leona SMITH  
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 22, Concession 1, Geographic Township of Dysart  
Nature of the Application: Lot Addition
- 3. File No. H-030/14  
Applicant: LRC CAMPBELL LTD.  
Location of the Property: Pt. Lots 11 & 12, Concessions 8 & 9, Geographic Township of Dysart  
Nature of the Application: New Lot & Right-of-way

Additional information regarding any of the above-noted applications is available for public inspection at the Land Division Office *by appointment* during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent does not make written submissions to the Land Division Committee before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss the appeal.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent, you must make a written request to the undersigned.

Dated at the Township of Minden Hills this 19<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2014

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Strange water creature identified

Margo Ross-Beer sent in this photo of a mysterious water creature she found at her cottage on Green Lake Road, West Guilford. Ross-Beer contacted the Ministry of Natural Resources in Minden about the strange blob. They told her it is a bryozoan colony, “a gelatinous micro-organism that lives in clean, fresh water such as Green Lake,” she writes. “A few days later, our neighbour found one as well. They attach themselves to logs, rocks, in our case, our rope around our cement block beside our dock on the lake bottom, which is very shallow.” The creatures can be clear, “weird and wonderful,” says Ross-Beer.



Garlic Fest in new location

This year’s Garlic Fest is moving to the grounds of Stanhope Community Centre, North Shore Road, just off Hwy 35 approximately four kilometres north of intersection Highway 35 and 118. Get your kickin’ garlic fix on Saturday, Aug. 23, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. A cornucopia of freshly harvested garlic awaits your taste buds. Fill your shopping sacks with garlic preserves, dips and spreads, honey, maple syrup, baked goods, local artisans ware, lavender products, native plants and much more. Take away prepared foods or sit and snack under our new picnic pavilion while listening to local talent. Come join us at this family-oriented event in our new spacious location while completing your garlic list and becoming informed in all matters garlic!

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- 1. "Another beautiful day in my backyard paradise!" writes Marg Dart.
- 2. "Thought the paper might be interested in this picture of our friendly chipmunk at our place on Lake Miskwabi," writes Don Stitt.
- 3. Joanne George took this picture of a northern water snake on the east shore of Kennisis Lake on Aug. 10.
- 4. This is a garden tiger moth and is one of the largest in Ontario. Submitted by Belinda Gallagher.

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# Fire chief urges residents to install smoke alarms and practice home fire escape plans

In the wake of a fatal fire in Ottawa on Wednesday, Aug. 13, the Dysart Fire Department wants to remind the public that once you have escaped from a burning building you should not re-enter for any reason.

"Once out, stay out. Never re-enter a burning building," said chief Miles Maughan.

An individual who had safely exited a burning home re-entered in an attempt to save a pet. The individual perished in the fire. Early detection and warning of fire is critical and that is why the law requires smoke alarms to be installed on every storey of your home and outside all sleeping areas. Larger homes may require additional smoke alarms and the fire service recommends you also have working smoke alarms in all bedrooms.

"Just as important as having working smoke alarms is making sure everyone in your home knows exactly what to do to escape before a fire occurs," continued Maughan. "This recent tragedy serves to emphasize the importance of staying outside once you have safely escaped a burning building."

## Simple steps for home fire escape planning include:

- Everyone should know two ways out of each room, if possible.
- All exits must be unobstructed and easy to use.

- If someone in your home has a disability, develop an escape plan with your household that takes into account their unique needs. Determine who will be responsible for helping young children, older adults and anyone who needs assistance to escape.

- Choose a meeting place outside, such as a tree or a lamp post, where everyone can be accounted for.

- Call the fire department from outside the home, from a cellphone or neighbour's home.

- Practice your home fire escape plan.

- Once out, stay out. Never re-enter a burning building.

For people who live in apartment buildings and need assistance to escape:

Make sure you tell the superintendent or landlord if you need assistance.

Make sure your name is added to the persons who require assistance list in the fire safety plan, so the fire department knows which apartment you are in.

Know the emergency procedures outlined in the building's fire safety plan.

If a fire occurs in your home and you are unable to escape:

Close the door of the room you are in and cover vents and cracks around the door with cloth or tape to keep smoke out.

Call 9-1-1 or your fire department. Tell them where you are, then signal for help at the window with a light-coloured cloth or a flashlight.

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# Community Living new wood bank location

Heat Bank Haliburton County is partnering with Community Living Haliburton to offer a wood bank location for the Haliburton area.

The new location gives Heat Bank Haliburton County a total of four wood depots including Minden, Wilberforce and Abbey Gardens. HBHC also offers a fuel program for those who are at risk of running out in the winter.

Establishing wood banks in strategic locations in Haliburton County is a key part of the overall support strategy to make emergency wood accessible to those who need it. It also allows county residents and organizations convenient locations to donate wood that may otherwise be taken to landfill or left on the ground. Tax receipt options are available for hardwood donations.

"Community Living Haliburton County is excited to partner with this program," Teresa Jordan, executive director explains. "The Victoria Street School was purchased with a vision that this central location would serve the entire community in many important ways and become a place of gathering."

Heat Bank Haliburton County was launched this spring and is a joint effort amongst like-minded people and organizations to help low-income and vulnerable households who find themselves running out of fuel and have no other resources.

"This program is one of the only ones of

its kind in North America," said program co-founder and operator of the Minden Wood Bank, John Teljeur. "Not only does it offer donations of fuel in whatever form needed but it also gives people additional opportunities to get help through A Place Called Home."

A Place Called Home works directly with those who need help, providing intake assessments and offering referrals and ongoing support as needed.

"We are most excited about creating a program that will bring people together," says Tina Jackson of A Place Called Home. "This is one of the reasons that a partnership with agencies such as Community Living is so exciting for us. Much the same as living in rural areas can increase one's sense of isolation, living with a developmental disability can restrict opportunities for social engagement. So we are very much looking forward to bringing everyone together to increase feelings of inclusion. Helping others is not only benefiting those who receive the help but also the volunteers."

Heat Bank Haliburton County is accepting donations of hardwood and money to purchase fuel. All money raised goes to providing fuel for those who are in need.

More information is available on the HBHC website [www.heatbankhc.ca](http://www.heatbankhc.ca) or by contacting Tina Jackson at 705-306-0565 or [tina@apch.ca](mailto:tina@apch.ca).

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# Consider volunteering

➤ Volunteering helps you find purpose in life, assist community members, provide service, says SIRCH Community Services

Something to really think about! Every single day, someone is volunteering their time in this wonderful County of Haliburton.

The faces of these volunteers have various talents, energy and time. The faces of these volunteers come with different ages, gender, income, education, race or ethnic background. But the faces share one thing in common – they want to improve the quality of life in their community.

Did you know that volunteering is so deeply entrenched in our society that at one time or another, virtually every Canadian has been a volunteer?

Think about that for a minute. Volunteers fill many roles — direct delivery of social services, help and commitment for every conceivable cause.

People volunteer for community non-profit organizations, schools, hospitals, public interest groups, sports teams, the arts, museums and libraries.

They help vulnerable populations find an effective voice, make our institutions sensitive to the needs of individuals, ensure our government knows what we think, assist people and families of all ages with illness or loss of a loved one.

Or bring a smile to a child's face with a gently used winter

coat or with a healthy snack to start their day.

Volunteering can be structured like working on a committee, or informal, like just being a good neighbour.

As well as contributing to the community, people who volunteer develop and improve personal skills, explore strengths and interests, expand their network of neighbours and friends, and feel good about what it is they have given of themselves in that role.

In boredom people sometimes mutter the words “there has to be more to life than this” or “I can't find my purpose in life, I feel lost”.

Take the time to reflect on the accomplishments of volunteers you may have seen or been with in the past, recognize and truly thank a volunteer you see or meet today, and if you are not a volunteer, ask yourself why.

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# Outpost celebrates anniversary as museum

## Wilberforce

Hilda Clark

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The cakes had been prepared. The corn husked, the cooking pots steaming as the barbecue heated up for hot dog making. Tents had been set up as a bit of insurance. And the optimists won! The rain held off last Friday evening Aug. 15. It was time to celebrate the 22nd anniversary of the Red Cross Outpost Historic House as a museum (Aug. 15, 1992) and 11 years as a National Historic Site of Canada (2003). It was formally plaqued on Aug. 15, 2006.

How good to have such friendly supportive people assemble to recognize the history and importance of this site in the community. The Canadian Red Cross was represented by Brenda McCarroll and several other volunteers from the Peterborough and Lindsay areas. Ms. McCarroll brought greetings and best wishes for the Guild's continued celebration of the public health work of the Red Cross nurses from this site.

The draw was made on the 2014 fundraising raffle. The first prize, a hand-quilted preprinted quilt was won by Maggie Martin of Wilberforce. A colourful Christmas tree skirt, the second prize, was won by Shannon Deterling also of Wilberforce. Congratulations to them. The tree skirt and material for the quilt were donated.

The Wilberforce Heritage Guild extends appreciation to all who support the Outpost Museum in so many different ways. Visits to the site for events or to learn about its history, and again this year buying and selling raffle tickets, are so important. Thank you.

Thanks to Flo Taylor and Louise and Norm Fowler for the first movie night at St. Margaret's last Tuesday evening. A showing of *Amazing Grace* about William Wilberforce was well received. Look for notices about the next movie night on Tuesday, Aug. 26.

What a delight to know that this column is enjoyed regularly by at least one reader whose cat Missy participates weekly. Does puss read or just get sleepy having it read to her? My Elphaba is pleased that there is at least one cat on the receiving end since she encourages from the composing side.

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# Welcome, Phoebe Catherine Carol

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Eleanor Cooper

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Congratulations to Lyle and Carol Stamp on the birth of a new granddaughter, Phoebe Catherine Carol on Aug. 2, 2014 in Lindsay; another daughter for Mark Stamp and Brandon Boutin and granddaughter as well for Boyd and Catherine Jarvis Little, seven pounds, three ounces. Phoebe has Emma, Ella and Sawyer to fuss over their new sister.

Other news from the Stamp household: Carol and granddaughter Josie and Ella with her new friend, Pat Bain with her granddaughters, Macey and Lauren, spent a week in Algonquin Park at Two-River campground and saw a mother bear – a three-legged one – with two cubs, a moose, a wolf and a blue heron.

Rainy weather did not deter people coming on Aug. 16 to Abbey Gardens all afternoon, many to see Cody Hodgson and be photographed with him; some to shop for Cody Hodgson's made in Canada apparel with the distinctive CoHo design on each shirt, track pants, jacket or cap. Pizzas were made and served on the spot and of course the fresh food was for sale indoors.

Euchre results from Aug. 12: high – Ruth Fletcher and Leon Jones; low – Myra Marshall and Eleanor Cooper; most lone hands – Brittany McCorriston and Bert Craig.



## Summer sun

The sun sets on Head Lake last week in Haliburton on one of the less rainy days in August. Jenn Watt Staff

# Taking the Numb Out of Numbers

with Don Fraser

During the summer weeks, Lake Kashagawigamog cottager Don Fraser is providing math tricks suitable for ages 10 to 110. Use mental math, paper and pencil or a calculator to dazzle your friends and family with these nine fun math tricks!

## Greedy

## Trick # 7

This is a good game for a small group of 5, or fewer, friends. To play this game you need a piece of paper, two dice, and an unlucky number.

Before starting, each player writes down his or her unlucky number (which has to be less than 7). That is each player's unlucky number for the game.

The idea of the game is to roll two dice, continuing to add what turns up. Your goal is to reach 100 before the other players.

Each player takes a turn rolling the dice. On any one turn, players can roll the dice as many times as desired, and keep adding thier score.

The only catch is...

... if their unlucky number shows up on either one of the dice, they lose thier points for that turn.

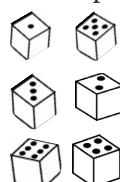
... if their unlucky number shows up on both dice, then their point total goes back to zero!

A player can stop rolling at any time.

If an unlucky number turns up, the dice are passed to the next player and the score adjusted.

The first player to get at least 100 points wins! But remember, don't be greedy!

For example:



Heather's unlucky number was 4:

- After one turn she had 19 points.
- On her next turn she rolled 1,5; 3,2; 6,4.
- Because of the 4, her point total goes back to 19.

About Don:

After teaching in math education for many years at OISE/U of T, Don continues to consult and do workshops across North America. Don welcomes any questions, discussions or requests at dfraser@rogers.com

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## James 'Jim' Hopkings (Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)



It is with heavy hearts that the family announce the passing of Jim (Hop) Hopkings at Highland Wood on the afternoon of Monday, August 4, 2014 in his 84th year. Beloved husband of Virginia (Ginny). Loving father of Kirsty, Jamie and their spouses. Cherished granddad of Carter, Whitney, Jordan and Brody. Fondly remembered by his sister-in-law Doreen, other family and friends. Jim was a retired teacher and was known for always being in the shop. If something was broken, chances were that Hop could fix it. He loved to design and build. From boats to airplanes, furniture to houses, nothing seemed out of reach for Hop.

### Celebration Of Life

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. If desired, donations to Haliburton Highlands Health Services or the charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family. Arrangements entrusted to **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy 118, Haliburton, Ontario 705-457-9209.

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## Ruth Orsborn (Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)



At Extendicare-Haliburton on Friday afternoon, August 15, 2014 in her 90th year. Loving daughter of the late Rev. Ernest Orsborn and Violet Howe. Dear sister of the late Myra Orsborn and late Harold Osborn. Ruth worked at Bell Canada in Toronto for many years in the Business Office. She enjoyed travelling and time with her family and friends.

### Visitation, Memorial Service & Reception

Friends are invited to call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209 on Tuesday afternoon, August 19, 2014 from 1 o'clock until time of Funeral Service in the Chapel at 2 p.m. Interment Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHS Foundation) would be appreciated by the family.

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## David William 'Bill' Bourne (Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)



Peacefully at Peterborough Regional Health Centre with his family by his side on Saturday evening, August 16, 2014 in his 64th year. Beloved husband of Beverly Bourne (nee Hayes). Stepfather of Brent (Donna) and Cheryl (John). Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Emily, Logan, Mackenzie and Emma. Dear brother of Joan (Don). Also lovingly remembered by his nieces Jennifer (Steve) and Sarah and by his grand nephews Rhys and Xavier.

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## Thank you Jim Burrows

We would like to thank our family, friends and neighbours for the compassion and kindness shown to us during the loss of our Husband, Dad, Grandpa and Great Grandpa. Thank you for your cards, the calls, the Online messages, the hugs and prayers, the beautiful flowers and the many donations made in his memory. A big thanks to the Gordon A Monk Funeral Home in Minden, Minden United Church, Minden Masonic Lodge, and the Minden Curling Club for making such a difficult time easier for our family. We are missing him. The support we have received and continue to receive means so much.

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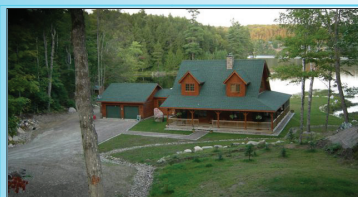
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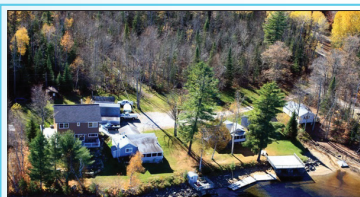
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## CONFEDERATION LOG ON 125 AC

Growler Lake Highlands. Year round thru/out, private bunkie. 1 acre with 250' frontage. 2700sf, double garage, loft. Dbl garage.

**SOLD**  
**\$1,100,000**



## HALIBURTON LAKE

14.3 Ac family compound or rental property. Large 2 storey home & 5 cabins. 540' shoreline very unique & a premium lake.

**\$949,000**



## GUILFORD LAKE

Premium 5BR cottage or home with 3870 of living space. 1.94 ac lot, 244' clean rugged shoreline. Two stone fireplaces.

**\$865,000**



## HALLS LAKE

Confederation Log. 5BR, finished bsmt. Natural lot, big lake view. 1.94 ac lot, 244' clean rugged shoreline. Dbl det garage.

**SOLD**  
**\$639,000**



## HORSESHOE LAKE

Luxury lifestyle with this 4 season or cottage. West exposure, go. 1.94 ac lot, 244' clean rugged shoreline. Dbl det garage. 4 season glass doors.

**SOLD**  
**\$629,000**



## SOYERS LAKE

Quiet Bay off Soyers Lake. Year round home or cottage. Level landscaped lot. 1 acre with 250' frontage. 2700sf, double garage, loft.

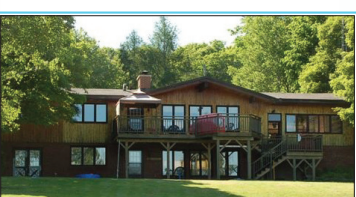
**\$588,000**



## LITTLE KENNISIS BEAUTY!

4 season 2+1 BR. Space for family & friends. Open concept, large windows, woodstove. Recroom w/o to lake. Det garage w/2BR loft/ Bunkie. Clean shallow to deep shoreline. Extensive docking.

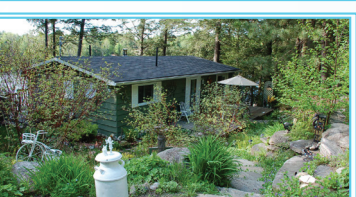
**\$565,000**



## KASH LAKE - CTY RD 21

Minutes to village. Large windows, 2 fp's, up & down. Finished basement. 2600sf & 123ft frtg. Gorgeous lot!

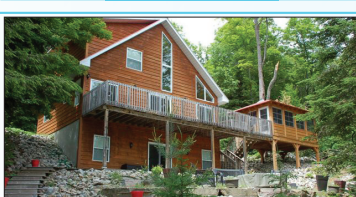
**\$529,000**



## KASH LK - BIRCH NARROWS

All renovated, 1700sf open concept nicely styled for cottage or home. Landscaped, stepped lot, treed, clean shoreline, large outbuilding.

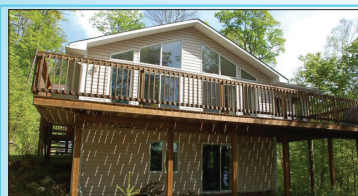
**\$519,000**



## TEDIOUS LAKE

Immaculate 4 season chalet style cottage/home. S/W exposure. Loads of character! 160' frtg on 2+ acres.

**\$495,000.**



## MISKWABI LAKE

Cottage or home. Bright & clean. Finished Bsmt. Large deck, FP, Scr Porch, 209 ft frontage!

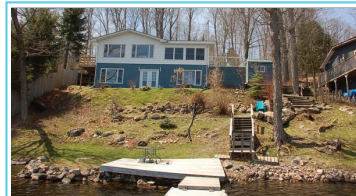
**\$458,000.**



## GLEN LAKE

Level lot, 386' frtg. No motor lake, close to skiing. Deeded access to Moose Lake.

**\$433,000**



## KASHAGAWIGAMOG LAKE

4 season cott/home close to town. Country charm, sunroom, big lake view, fin bsmt, clean shoreline. Cottage or retire!

**\$399,000**



## SALERNO LAKE

Very lovely custom built 2+2 BR home or cottage. Private natural lot with gardens, 179' sand frtg. Quality shines!

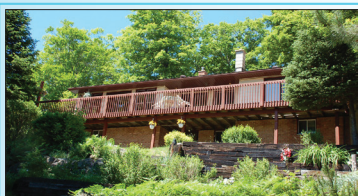
**\$398,000**



## LAKE KASHAG

3 Season 2BR on pretty lot w/clean sand & rock shoreline. Cute 2BR Bunkie. South exposure

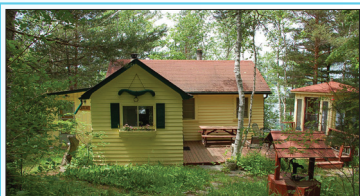
**\$356,000**



## BITTER LAKE HOME/COTTAGE

4 season, bright & clean. Large deck. Indoor hot tub w/deck walkout. Recroom. Garage, carport. Gradual stepped landscaped slope to clean shoreline.

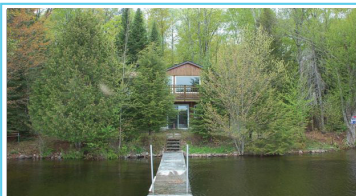
**\$345,000**



## DAVIS LAKE COTTAGE

Traditional 2BR cottage w/deck & gazebo, Bunkie, Sauna at water's edge. Phenomenal property. 400' frtg & 16 acres. Sandy bay & deep water.

**\$338,000**



## HALIBURTON LAKE

3BR cottage on pretty treed lot with big lake view. LR w/woodstove. Block foundation 4 season potential!

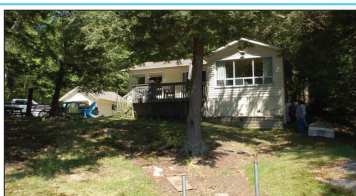
**\$329,000**



## DRAG LAKE

Traditional 3BR-3 season cottage. Good 1 ac lot, beautiful view. Sand/rock shoreline. Great opportunity for this lake!

**\$325,000**



## BITTER LAKE

Awesome cottage-great value! Sun all day, level lot, sand shoreline. Great fishing on Bitter & Burdock Lakes. Sgl garage. Well maintained.

**\$299,900**



## GREEN LAKE

Yr rnd cottage or home on water's edge, sand beach. Good privacy. Full w/o basement. 3 Lake Chain.

**\$299,000**



## WENONA LAKE

Awesome 3BR cottage on level sunny lot. Immaculate. Open concept. 4 season potential. This one

**SOLD**  
**\$299,000**



## IRONDALE RIVER

Large home/cottage on 9+ac. Sunny private lot. 3+2BR, spacious, full bsmt, many features.

**\$288,000**



## HALIBURTON-SUNNYSIDE ST.

Walk to town. Treed private lot. Open concept, vaulted ceilings. Large wraparound deck. Huge recroom, Insul det garage. Nice design.

**\$265,000.**



## RENOVATED 3BR HOME

Unique, attractive, modernized, quality. Large level lot, quiet setting in Harcourt. Turn key furnished & ready. So many extras! Garden, garages, verandah & more.

**\$255,000**



## OWN YOUR OWN BUSINESS!

Convenient to live where you work for many different business options. Storefront, Ground flr studio/apt, 2 storey home, dbl garage. Great value!

**\$239,000**



## WEST GUILFORD HOME

Great potential with Commercial Zoning. 2.33 acre lot & 496 ft frtg. 2BR home, att garage. Across from sand beach on Green Lake.

**\$235,000**



## MINDEN FAMILY HOME

Bright 3br sidesplit close to village. Full fin bsmt. Sgl garage. Pretty view & location.

**\$225,000**



## HOME ON 14 ACRES

Private, close to Haliburton, 3BR Royal Home. Spacious. Ensuite to Master, R ecroom. Acreage for privacy.

**\$217,000**



## HALIBURTON VILLAGE RENTAL

Spacious 1BR overlooking water & walking trail. 2 bath, stone FP & sgl car att garage. Modern laundry facilities. \$1100/month utilities incl.

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